

September 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>A = all ages</i> <i>B = ages 18 +</i> <i>C = ages 3-17</i> <i>*Sioux Falls Running club</i>					1	2 10 A—Dragonflies of GE 2 pm A -Monarch tagging 7 pm C -NA Animal Stories
3 2 pm A—Dutch Oven cooling	4 Labor Day 3 pm Guided Hike 7 pm Adult Hike	5	6	7 6:00 Sioux Falls Running Club Run*	8	9 11 am Plant/ Grass ID Hike
10	11	12	13	14 6:00 Sioux Falls Running Club Run*	15	16 8:00 am Good Earth Trail Races* 4 pm A—Harvest Festival Games, Cooking, crafts
17	18	19	20	21 6:00 Sioux Falls Running Club Run*	22	23
24 3-5 pm Fall Photography	25	26	27	28 6:00 Sioux Falls Running Club Run*	29	30

September 1

7 pm Night Hike – Hike in the dark learning about nocturnal animals.

September 2

10 am Dragonflies of Good Earth – Guided hike with a focus on dragonflies

2 pm Monarch Butterfly Tagging – Participants will learn the life cycle of the butterfly, help id, tag and release monarchs.

7 pm Native American Stories around the campfire - Utilizing the fire ring near the visitor center, participants will hear the history of Good Earth and some stories

September 3

2 pm Dutch Oven Cooking – Learn the basics of Dutch oven cooking, supplies, recipes and samples provided

September 4

3 pm Fall Hike – Guided hike

7 pm Adult Hike – First Monday of each month, a one mile hike through the park. Ages 18 and above

Sept 9

11 am Native American plant ID and uses Hike – Participants will learn how to identify native plants and what they may have been used for in 1600.

Sept 16

4 pm Harvest Festival Games, Cooking, Crafts - Time to harvest the garden (or plants in the park)

Sept 24

3-5 pm Nature Fall Photography track—learn the basics of Fall photography on this guided hike.

Tuesdays = Field Trips
Thursdays = Out reach

October 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 <i>Preschool 10:00 am Mammals F.I.S.H. 1:00 pm Nature Scrapbooking</i>	5 <i>6:00 Sioux Falls Running Club Run</i>	6	7 Festifall at Newton Hills State Park
8	9	10	11	12 <i>6:00 Sioux Falls Running Club Run</i>	13	14 <i>3:00 pm A = Pumpkins and Gourds</i>
15	16 <i>Special Speaker 7 pm Ron Peterson Native plants</i>	17 <i>Special Speaker 7 pm Dale Henning Session 1</i>	18 <i>Special Speaker 7 pm Dale Henning Session 2</i>	19 <i>6:00 Sioux Falls Running Club Run</i>	20	21 <i>10:00 am A— Migration 2:00 pm A— Rescue Dog Program</i>
22	23	24	25	26 <i>6:00 Sioux Falls Running Club Run</i>	27	28
29	30	31 Halloween				<i>A = all ages B = ages 18 + C = ages 3-17</i>

Oct 4 Little Acorns—10:00 am—11:00 am designed for children ages 3-6, classes include lesson, song, games, activity. Registration is not required at this time.

Oct 4 F.I.S.H. (Friendly, Interactive, Senior, Hour) —1:00 pm designed for adults/seniors this monthly program will change topics each month. October is Nature scrapbooking.

Oct 7th—Festifall at Newton Hills State Park, many fun fall activities throughout the day

Oct 14—3:00 pm—Pumpkins and Gourds, Fun activities with pumpkins and gourds

Oct 16—7 pm Special Speaker—Ron Peterson, will speak on Native plants in Urban developments

Oct 17—7 pm Special Speaker—Dale Henning—archeologist of Blood Run

Oct 18— 7 pm Special Speaker—Dale Henning—archeologist of Blood Run

Oct 21—10 am—Migration—learn about the animals of South Dakota and their migrations

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November 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 <i>Preschool 10:00 am Leaves</i> <i>F.I.S.H. 1:00 pm - Bison at Blood Run</i>	2 <i>6:00 Sioux Falls Run- ning Club Run</i>	3	4 <i>2:00 pm A—Dutch Oven Cooking</i>
5	6	7	8	9 <i>6:00 Sioux Falls Run- ning Club Run</i>	10	11 <i>2 pm A—Winter Con- stellations</i>
12	13	14	15	16 <i>6:00 Sioux Falls Run- ning Club Run</i>	17 <i>9:00 pm A—Meteor Shower</i>	18 <i>2 pm A—Bison</i>
19	20	21 <i>Special Speaker 7pm Doug Chapman (B) Birding for Adult Beginners</i>	22	23 Thanksgiving <i>Closed</i>	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 <i>6:00 Sioux Falls Run- ning Club Run</i>		<i>A = all ages B = ages 18 + C = ages 3-17</i>

Nov 1 Little Acorns—10:00 am—11:00 am designed for children ages 3-6, classes include lesson, song, games, activity. Registration is not required at this time.

Nov 1 F.I.S.H. (Friendly, Interactive, Senior, Hour) —1:00 pm designed for adults/seniors this monthly program will change topics each month. November's topic is Bison at Blood Run

Nov 4—Dutch Oven Cooking 2:00 pm, Learn how to cook outdoors in a Dutch Oven

Nov 11—Winter Constellations 2:00 pm, learn how identify winter constellations

Nov 17—Meteor Shower Star Gazing 9:00 pm, Come out to the park and watch for meteors and take a tour of the night sky.

Nov 18—Bison of Blood Run 2:00 pm, Learn how the Oneota culture used all the parts of the Bison.

Nov 21—Special Speaker Doug Chapman, Beginning Birding for Adults 7:00 pm—learn how to identify birds, special speaker from the Sioux Falls Bird Club

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December 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 2 pm A -Bird Feeders
3	4	5	6 Preschool 10:00 am Snow (C) F.I.S.H. 1:00 pm (B) TBD	7 6:00 Sioux Falls Running Club Run	8	9 2 pm A-Trading at Blood Run
10	11	12	13	14 6:00 Sioux Falls Running Club Run	15	16 2 pm A—Eagle Watching
17	18	19 Special Speaker 7pm Winter photography (B)	20	21 6:00 Sioux Falls Running Club Run	22	23 2 pm A-Snowflakes
24	25 Christmas Closed	26	27 1 pm (C)-Kid's Bison Fun	28 10 am A -Snow shoeing 6:00 Sioux Falls Running Club Run	29 1—3 pm A-Good Earth Scavenger hunt (A)	30 2 pm A-Traditional Games
31 New Year's Eve	1 New Year's Day 2 pm A-First Hike (A)				A= all ages B = ages 18 + C = ages 3-17	

Dec 2 Bird Feeders 2:00 pm—Learn how to make bird feeders for our winter birds. 24 glass bottle feeders will be available to the first 24 families. Other feeders will be made as well.

Dec 6 Little Acorns—10:00 am—11:00 am designed for children ages 3-6, classes include lesson, song, games, activity. Registration is not required at this time.

Dec 6 F.I.S.H.(Friendly, Interactive, Senior, Hour) —1:00 pm designed for adults/seniors this monthly program will change topics each month. Call the park for December's topic

Dec 9 Trading at Blood Run 2:00 pm—learn who, how, what, and why trading was done at Blood Run from 1500—1700.

Dec 16 Eagle Watching 2:00 pm—Join us on a hike to look for bald eagles in the park. Binoculars will be available to share during the program.

Dec 19 Special Speaker, Marty Dewitt, Winter Photography 7:00 pm. Learn how to take winter photos with a professional photographer.

Dec 23 Snowflakes 2:00 pm—Learn about the beauty of snowflakes and how to preserve them.

Dec 27 Kid's Bison Fun 1:00 pm—kids come out and have some fun learning about the bison.

Dec 28 Snow Shoeing 10:00 am—Go on a snow shoe hike, limited number of snow shoes available for the program.

Dec 29 Good Earth Scavenger Hunt 1:00—3:00 pm—Stop in the visitor center and pick up your scavenger hunt sheet, then hunt for the answers inside the exhibit. Prizes!

Dec 30 Traditional Games 2:00 pm—Learn and play traditional Native American Games

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January 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>A- New Year's Day Hike 2 pm</i>	2	3 <i>C-Preschool 10:00 am Tracks F.I.S.H. 1:00 pm Forestry fireman talk (B)</i>	4	5	6 <i>A- Nature's Eyes 2 pm</i>
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 <i>A- Winter S.T.E.M. 2 pm</i>
14	15	16 <i>Special Speaker 7:00 pm Music and Pho- tos (A)</i>	17	18	19	20 <i>A- Eagle Watching 10 am</i>
21	22	23	24	25	26	27 <i>A-Winter Photography 2 am</i>
28	29	30	31			<i>A= all ages B = ages 18 + C = ages 3-17</i>

Jan 1 First Hike! 2:00 pm—Guided hike through the park

Jan 3 Little Acorns—10:00 am—11:00 am designed for children ages 3-6, classes include lesson, song, games, activity. Registration is not required at this time.

Jan 3 F.I.S.H. (Friendly, Interactive, Senior, Hour) —1:00 pm designed for adults/seniors this monthly program will change topics each month. This month is a talk on National forestry Firefighter

Jan 6 Nature's Eyes 2:00 pm—Learn all about different animals eyes and their abilities. Craft your very own animal eye.

Jan 13 Winter S.T.E.M. 2:00 pm—Try several different nature and science based challenges.

Jan 16 Special Speaker—Marty Dewitt Music and Nature 7:00 pm, Listen to a local musician and see nature photography.

Jan 20 Eagle Watching 10:00 am—Join us on a hike to look for bald eagles in the park. Binoculars will be available to share during the program.

Jan 27 Winter Photography Hike 2:00 pm—Bring your camera and go on a winter hike searching for the best winter shot.

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February 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Ground hogs day	3 <i>A-Snow Shoeing 2 pm</i> <i>Or</i> <i>Winter Tracks</i>
4	5	6	7 <i>Preschool 10:00 am</i> <i>Buffalo-C</i> <i>F.I.S.H. 1:00 pm –B</i> <i>TBD</i>	8	9	10 <i>A- Hibernation in SD 2 pm</i>
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 <i>A-Eagle Watching 10 am</i>
18	19	20 <i>Special Speaker</i> <i>7:00 pm TBD</i>	21	22	23	24 <i>A-Oneota Pottery 2 pm</i>
25	26	27	28			<i>A= all ages</i> <i>B = ages 18 +</i> <i>C = ages 3-17</i>

Feb 3 Snowshoe Hike OR Winter Tracks—2:00 pm—weather permitting we will take a snowshoe hike, snowshoes provided, if no snow then we will learn about the animal tracks of winter.

Feb 7 Little Acorns—10:00 am—11:00 am designed for children ages 3-6, classes include lesson, song, games, activity. Registration is not required at this time.

Feb 7 F.I.S.H. (Friendly, Interactive, Senior, Hour) —1:00 pm designed for adults/seniors this monthly program will change topics each month. Call the park for February's topic

Feb 10 Hibernation in South Dakota 2:00 pm—Learn how and why animals of South Dakota hibernate.

Feb 17 Eagle Watching 10:00 am—Join us on a hike to look for bald eagles in the park. Binoculars will be available to share during the program.

Feb 24 Oneota Pottery 2:00 pm—Learn how the Oneota prepared their clay and made their pottery.

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March 2018



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4	5	6	7 <i>Preschool 10:00 am</i> <i>Plants and seeds C</i> <i>F.I.S.H. 1:00 pm-B</i> <i>TBD</i>	8	9	10 <i>A-Spring Hike 10 am</i>
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 <i>St. Patrick's Day</i> <i>A-Mammals of SD 2 pm</i>
18	19	20 <i>Special Speaker A-</i> <i>David Jastram 7:00 pm</i> <i>Bee Keeping</i>	21	22	23	24 <i>A-Bird Feeders 1 pm</i>
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

March 3 Bison at Blood Run 2:00 pm—learn the history and uses of the bison at Blood Run

March 7 Little Acorns—10:00 am—11:00 am designed for children ages 3-6, classes include lesson, song, games, activity. Registration is not required at this time.

March 7 F.I.S.H. (Friendly, Interactive, Senior, Hour) —1:00 pm designed for adults/seniors this monthly program will change topics each month. Please call the park for March's topic

March 10 Spring Hike 10:00 am—Take a guided hike with the naturalist

March 17 Mammals of South Dakota—2:00 pm— Learn and identify mammals of South Dakota

March 20 Special Speaker David Jastram, Keeping Bees—7:00 pm—Learn about honey bees and how to keep them.

March 24 Bird Feeders—1:00 pm, Learn how to attract birds to your feeders and make a feeder.



April 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 <i>Easter/Aprils Fools</i>	2	3	4 <i>Preschool 10:00 am Fish (C)</i> <i>F.I.S.H. 1:00 pm (B) Dutch Oven Cooking</i>	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 <i>Special Speaker Ron Peterson 7 pm Native Plants (B)</i>	18	19	20	21
22 <i>A—Good Earth Day 1 pm—3 pm</i>	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 <i>A—Full Moon Hike 8:30 pm</i>	30					<i>A= all ages B = ages 18 + C = ages 3-17</i>

April 4 Little Acorns—10:00 am—11:00 am designed for children ages 3-6, classes include lesson, song, games, activity. Registration is not required at this time.

April 4 F.I.S.H. (Friendly, Interactive, Senior, Hour) —1:00 pm designed for adults/seniors this monthly program will change topics each month. April's topic is Dutch Oven Cooking

April 17 Special Speaker Ron Peterson, Native plants in landscaping 7:00 pm— Learn how to incorporate native plants into your landscapes

April 27 Good Earth Day 1:00—3:00—come celebrate Earth Day at the park. Many come and go activities.

April 29 Full Moon Hike 8:30 pm—Take a guided hike and experience the wonders of the full moon.